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In re Liwerant, et al.	:	Group Art Unit: 2611
Serial No. 09/631,583	:	Confirmation No. 9242
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Commissioner of Patents
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Sir/Madam:

This paper is submitted in response to the final Office action mailed on December 27, 2005 in the above matter.

Applicant requests that the time for responding to this action be extended for one month to April 27, 2006. A Form PTO-2038 authorizing charges of $60, in addition to charges of $395 for the accompanying Request for Continued Examination, is attached in support of this request.

Please enter the following amendments prior to examination on the merits:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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